

just may be the wrong time and place. And Senator Moore has mentioned that by next year the Medicaid problem is going to be even bigger, shall I say? Isn't that right, Scott, even bigger and we do have some really terrible money problems coming up but trying to solve that money problem in the middle of LB 1063 sends a message...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...to taxpayers and so on that I think is a little bit of a...is misleading that we can do something this afternoon to get rid of like fifteen, twenty million dollars worth of state government cost. I think that's misleading. So I think we should just be really careful. And I will continue to listen to what you have to say. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, members, Senator Dierks, I believe you're probably serious about this and so if you are, are you ready to go through with me line by line each one of these cuts and how you envision that would happen? Because being the newest person here, you know, a major piece of legislation, the point has been made that this would take days and days and days. But is that what you want? Is that...is that...I'm not sure, I know you say you're serious about it and you think a discussion should take place but if we're really going to have a discussion, is that the direction you want to go? Do you want to start down line by line?

SENATOR DIERKS: I will be very willing to do that.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Okay. Well, let's start with some of them that are 100 percent, line number 7, Agency number 3, Legislative Research, how would that impact this body by cutting that a hundred...what would happen? What would we not have?

SENATOR DIERKS: We would not have any Legislative Research Division at all.

SENATOR BOHLKE: And how many employees is that?

SENATOR DIERKS: I can't even tell you that.

SENATOR BOHLKE: And so if we needed some research done and if